Renewal of Interlocal Agreement-

Town and Hamilton County Humane Society

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD, INDIANA, AND HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA, CONCERNING UNWANTED ANIMALS DELIVERED TO THE HAMILTON COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY

THIS AGREEMENT entered into on the dates set out herein, by and between Hamilton County, Indiana, ("the County") and the Town of Westfield, ("the Town"); and, WITNESS THAT:

WHEREAS, the County, and the Humane Society for Hamilton County, Inc., ("the Society") have entered into a Service Agreement for the calendar year 2007, for the Society to be compensated for costs associated with the care of certain unwanted animals; and,

WHEREAS, the Service Agreement defines a "Participating Unit" as follows:

"Participating Unit" is defined as the County, and any city, or town within the County which enters into an agreement to reimburse the County, the amount of One Hundred Thirty-three Dollars and Eighty-four Cents (\$133.84) per animal for each Stray Animal, which is received by the Society; and,

WHEREAS, the Service Agreement defines the term "Unwanted Animal" as follows:

"Unwanted Animal" is defined as: 1) an animal delivered to the shelter from a law enforcement officer of a Participating Unit; or 2) an animal which is delivered to the shelter by a resident of a Participating Unit, which is not owned or controlled by the resident, but is delivered by the resident in order that the animal may be treated humanely; or 3) an animal delivered to the shelter by its owner, who resides within a Participating Unit.

WHEREAS, the Town of Westfield desires to enter into an agreement whereas the City would be a Participating Unit as defined in the Service Agreement, to permit its law enforcement officers and citizens to deliver Unwanted dogs and cats to the Society;

and to be obligated to reimburse the County the amount of One Hundred Thirty-three Dollars and Eighty-four Cents (\$133.84) per animal for each Unwanted dog or cat defined in the Service Agreement.

IT IS THEREBY AGREED by the County and the Town as follows:

- The Town agrees to reimburse the County, the amount of One Hundred
 Thirty-three Dollars and Eighty-four Cents (\$133.84) for each Unwanted dog
 or cat which is either: a) delivered to the Society by a law enforcement officer
 of the Town; b) a dog or cat which is delivered to the Society by a resident of
 the Town, which the animal is not owed or controlled by the resident but is
 delivered by the resident in order that the dog or cat may be treated
 humanely; or c) an animal delivered to the shelter by its owner, who resides
 within a Participating Unit.
- 2. The Hamilton County Auditor shall cause a list of Stray Unwanted Animals provided to the County by the Society to be delivered to the Town monthly. The Town shall, in conformance with the Town's payment schedule, reimburse the County the amount the amount for the stray Unwanted dogs and cats chargeable to the Town at the rate of One Hundred Thirty-three Dollars and Eighty-four Cents (\$133.84).
- 3. The parties agree that they have been operating under the terms in anticipation of this Agreement since January 1, 2007, and that this Agreement shall be effective for all dogs and cats from the Town for the calendar year 2007 and shall continue from month to month thereafter until modified or terminated, subject to appropriation.

- 4. All other terms of the Service Agreement concerning the treatment of Stray

 Unwanted Animals are incorporated herein by reference.
- In the event that there is a dispute between the Participating Unit, the Society, or the County concerning any of the terms contained herein, the parties agree that there shall be a meeting held within ten (10) days of written notice of that dispute between the President of the Society, a designee of the Board of Commissioners of Hamilton County, and a designee of the Town to attempt resolution of said dispute.
- 6. In the event any dispute is not resolved pursuant to paragraph 5 above, the parties agree to submit said dispute to mediation pursuant to the Indiana Rules of Alternative Dispute Resolution prior to initiating any lawsuit.

ALL OF WHICH IS AGREED by and between the Town and the County on the dates set out herein.

Dated: 03-26-2007

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF HAMILTON COUNTY

Steven C. Dillinger

Christine Altman

Steven A. Holt

ATTEST:

Robin M. Mills, Auditor

ALL OF WHICH IS SO ADOPTED, this day of 2007
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WESTFIELD TOWN COUNCIL

<u>Voting For</u>	Voting Against	<u>Abstain</u>
Andy Cook	Andy Cook	Andy Cook
John Dippel	John Dippel	John Dippel
Jack Hart	Jack Hart	Jack Hart
Robert Horkay	Robert Horkay	Robert Horkay
Joe Plankis	Joe Plankis	Joe Plankis
Robert Smith	Robert Smith	Robert Smith
Ron Thomas	Ron Thomas	Ron Thomas
ATTEST:		
Clerk-Treasurer, Cindy J. G	ossard	